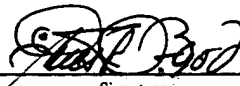
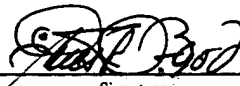
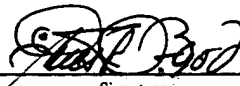
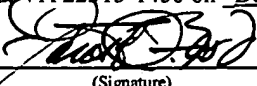
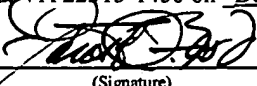
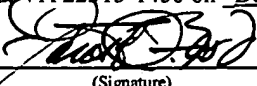




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In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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